

# **Conservation Commission**

May 18, 2015 7:00 p.m. City Hall – Room 3B Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened at approximately 7:03 p.m. by Kim Botelho.

Members present: Kim Botelho - Chairperson, Shaun McColgan - Secretary, Ed Moore,

Brian Batterson, Elyse Jasensky – Commissioners, and Jack Robbins -Alternate.

Absent/Excused: Ed Prybylski, Peter Jennings, and Rich Hale.

Guests: Judith Bachman, Mike Ahearn

<u>Public speaking:</u> Judith spoke about the meadow at Bear Mountain and the mowing issues due to the culvert damage.

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> A motion was made by Jack to approve the minutes of the April meeting. Seconded by Brian and approved by all.

#### **Reports:**

Still River Greenway Commission (SRG): Nothing new to report this month.

Old Quarry Nature Center (OQNC): Elyse reported the following:

Field trips are starting to pick up. A fourth Eagle Scout project is being planned. The sign at Maple Lane still needs repair, and the CT Trails Day booklets have arrived.

<u>Bear Mountain Reservation (BMR):</u> Kim will speak to the Public Works Department again about the dangerous culvert problem.

<u>Farrington Woods:</u> Mike Ahearn reported on the ongoing problem with dirt bikes on the trails.

## **Old Business/Key Initiatives:**

Mowing Schedule: Mowing for the season has started. BMR was the first location done.

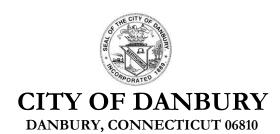
### **New Business:**

<u>OQNC</u>: Pest control came out to the field house again due to the carpenter bee issue. <u>BMR</u>: Some new trail signs have been blazed and/or marked as part of an Eagle Scout project.

There is a dog hike, scavenger hunt, and letterboxing scheduled for CT Trails Day (June  $6^{th}$ ).

### Other:

<u>CT Trails Day and summer events:</u> Already covered in BMR and OQNC sections above. <u>Other maintenance</u>: Nothing new to report.



<u>Motion to Adjourn:</u> At 7:53 p.m. Jack made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Brian and approved by all.

Next Meeting: Monday, June 15, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., Room 3B, City Hall.

Submitted by: Shaun McColgan – Commission Secretary. 06/09/15